(b) if so, whether Government issued detailed guidelines against such a tendency citing of repeated views of human right activists, raising serious human rights violations which happened in the recent past when POTA/TADA etc. were in force; and

(c) whether Government would initiate steps for having a consensus approach in our multi-party polity?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI V. RADHIKA SELVI): (a) As the States are competent to legislate on the subjects falling under the List II of the VII Schedule to the Constitution, Central Government will come into the picture only when State Legislations are reserved by the Governor of the State for the consideration and assent of the President or when the State Government refers the Bills/ Ordinances for prior approval/instructions by the President. The State Legislations are examined from three angles *viz.* (i) repugnancy with Central Laws (ii) deviation from National or Central Policy and (iii) legal and Constitutional validity.

(b) and (c) If any State legislation involves any of the angles above, the recommendation for assent or approval is not given.

No guidelines are needed.

Extravagance in marriage ceremonies causing social tension

3148. PROF. P.J. KURIEN; Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the extravagance in marriage ceremonies in the country which is increasing social tension;

(b) if so, whether Government proposes to bring legislation to control such extravagances;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) No such reports have been received by the Government.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) Does not arise.

Leaders threatened by terrorist organizations

3149. SHRI SHAHID SIDDIQUI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) which Indian leaders are most threatened by terrorist organizations; and

(b) the steps being taken to protect them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) It would not be in public interest to give any details in this regard.